

## KIDNAPPED AND HELD PRISONER

Alvarez Says Three Executions Occur Daily in Juarez Jail.

Angel Alvarez, a Mexican living on this side, was kidnapped last week in El Paso and taken to Juarez, according to his friends. He was interned in the Juarez jail and only escaped execution through the intervention of Alberto Madero, who secured his release.

According to the story told by friends of Alvarez, he had incurred the enmity of an officer of the Juarez garrison. Early last week he was invited to Juarez on a number of pretexts but refused to go. On Wednesday night of last week, however, his friends say, he met a number of friends in a saloon in the southern part of town. After remaining there for a short time three men suddenly entered the saloon and seized him. He was bundled into an automobile and carried to the Santa Fe bridge. Despite his protests he was held in the machine, his captors telling the customs officials that he was intoxicated, thus explaining his struggles.

Three Executions Daily. Arrived on the Mexican side, the auto proceeded to the jail and Alvarez was placed in a cell. During the two days he was held there, his friends say, he reported to them that an average of three men were taken out daily and executed. His friends finally convinced Alberto Madero that the arrest was simply one of spite and on Friday Alvarez was released. It is declared that more than a dozen persons have been kidnapped on this side during the month and taken to Juarez.

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## CARRANZA SENDS FORCE TO JUAREZ

Is Planning to Attack Chihuahua and Border Port About the Same Time.

Two extensive movements of Carranza troops against Chihuahua and Juarez are now forming, according to advices received here. The first of these, which is under Gen. Gregorio Azaña, and which is already well underway, is being launched from Peraton on a base. The information that Azaña, at the head of a large column, is coming north was brought here by three railroad men, who arrived Monday. They declare that Azaña will make a feint against Torreon, so as to keep that garrison distracted, and will then make the trip overland to some point just south of Chihuahua. Azaña and his column arrived at Peraton on December 24 and the northern movement has already begun.

The second Carranza movement in the north will be in charge of Gen. Benjamin Hill, according to advices received here. It is stated that this has been planned for some time and explains the readiness with which Hill has agreed to abandon his entrenched position at Naco, Son. From Naco he goes to Agua Prieta, and the combined forces will then number more than 2000. With these he expects to attack Juarez.

Villa Sends Out Troops. Villa agents here have received messages stating that two columns have been sent south each from Torreon, and it is believed that this has been done on information that Azaña was operating from Peraton. The Villa forces took some artillery with them, and their progress will be slow, as a considerable amount of track and bridges is still out between Torreon and San Pedro, where it was torn up when the Villa garrison at San Pedro retreated on Torreon.

The west coast campaign, under command by Gen. Julian Medina, is progressing favorably, according to Villa advices. A strong column has already entered Tepic, with Mazatlan as its objective. It is stated that two of the largest cannons in Mexico, clasped as small siege guns, were captured at the time Diegoz evacuated Guadalajara, and that these will be used against the seaport.

Carranza Amends "The Plan." Copies have been received here of Carranza's amended plan of Guadalupe. The amendments include the framing of laws to end the coal, timber, oil and other natural resources monopolies; the first right is allowed to make requisitions for lands, houses, cattle, money or any other material needed in military operations; he is given complete power to appoint or remove every officer in the republic and is generally vested with every military and political power. The final amendment provides that should the first chief retire from his position, through death or any other cause, the commander of the district in which the retirement took place should then become the president of Mexico.

Wreck Below Juarez. More than 100 cars of coal and six cars of fuel oil, part of extensive orders that have been placed in this country by Villa, are stalled in the Juarez yards on account of a freight wreck at a point about 25 miles south of the city. It is stated that the wreck was caused by soft tracks.

PRIEDA ARRIVES FROM MEXICO; EXILED BY VILLA

Judge Ramon Prieta, who has been variously reported as executed at Mexico City and in prison at Aguascalientes, arrived here Monday night after being exiled from Mexico. According to Judge Prieta, who is the author of "From Despotism to Anarchy," a book on Mexico that has been widely read, he arrived in Aguascalientes on Dec. 15 and was arrested there the following day. He was kept there for two days and was then sent to Chihuahua, where he was held in jail until Saturday morning when, with a guard

of 20 men, he was conducted to Juarez, arriving there Monday night. "When I arrived in Juarez," said Judge Prieta, "I was told by the officer in charge of the escort that, by order of the chief commander, I was to be exiled from my country and that under no circumstances was I ever to return. I was escorted to the international bridge, where the guard formed in line and I crossed over to the American side."

Judge Prieta believes that his exile is the result of political intrigues. He has been careful not to meddle in Mexican politics, he says.

VILLA ISSUES STATEMENT; TO PUNISH CONSPIRATORS

Mexico City, Mex., Dec. 23.—When the matter of frequent executions and the lack of personal guarantees were brought to the attention of Gen. Villa today he made the following statement:

"Many foreigners have lately asked me for personal guarantees. I am disposed to make every effort to give these. Many of the requests have been telegraphed. "Regarding the present chief executive of the nation, I regret to say that conspirators are endeavoring to take advantage of his sincerity and honesty. What I will have to do is to treat this element with severity. "The country needs prudence at the present time. It also needs energetic measures. As soon as these matters

are attended to I will proceed to direct the campaign for the capture of Tampico."

Gen. Villa signed this statement.

MAYTORENA MAY DELAY WITHDRAWAL BY HILL

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 23.—As a result of the failure of Gov. Maytorena Monday to announce approval of Gen. Scott's plan to allow Gen. Hill to withdraw from Naco, Sonora, to Agua Prieta, a conference between Maytorena and Gen. Scott was scheduled for today.

Hill is preparing to leave Naco, but his troops are still watchfully holding the trenches. Maytorena is reported to have strong forces west, south and east of the town.

Bodies of about 100 dead were found in and near the trenches which Maytorena evacuated. Three Hill soldiers were killed and about a dozen wounded when they examined an unexploded shell found in the Maytorena trenches. They thought the shell was harmless. They were mistaken.

MEXICANS MUST CEASE KILLINGS, SAYS U. S.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—Unless a humanitarian course of dealing with former opponents is adopted by the various factions in Mexico, no faction will be recognized, according to representatives which have been made by

the American government to Carranza and Villa.

Advices from the Brazilian embassy in Mexico City state the political situation in the capital is full of uncertainty, owing to lack of harmony among the several chiefs.

The United States is trying to secure complete amnesty for former federalists.

VILLISTAS WRECK TRAINS; TREAT AMERICANS KINDLY

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 23.—Troops believed to be operating under Gen. Francisco Villa's orders, according to dispatches received here today, wrecked a passenger train and blocked traffic on the Tampico division of the Mexican railway, 175 miles west of Tampico, on December 25.

The only foreigners on board, an American and his wife, were treated courteously.

MONEY IS MUCH EASIER, SAYS SECRETARY McADOO

Albuquerque, N. M., Dec. 23.—Money is much easier, now that the federal reserve bank system is in effect, said secretary of the treasury W. G. McAdoo, who was here today on his way to the San Diego exposition as the personal representative of president Wilson. He predicted ample prosperity for American business in 1915.

Athey cloth-lined weather strip keeps out the cold. Rathbun-Mix Co.—Adv.

UNITED EMPIRE CLUB SENDS \$600 FOR BRITISH RELIEF

At a meeting of the United Empire club, an organization of British subjects living here, held Monday night, \$600 was sent to England for the benefit of the widows and orphans of British soldiers who have been killed. The sum was made up of subscriptions from the members.

DYNAMITE BEING SHIPPED TO THE PACHUCA DISTRICT

Hundreds of boxes of dynamite and other equipment used in mining has been shipped out of El Paso in the last few days to the Pachuca mining district, in the state of Hidalgo. All of the mines in the district were about to close down on account of lack of explosives, when special arrangements were made with the Constitutionalist railways for sufficient cars to move the explosives. Part of the shipment has already gone south but there is still a considerable supply to send. The shipment will total about 3500 boxes of dynamite, 200,000 detonators and about 1500 fuses of 200 feet each.

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BATHROOM OFFERS REFUGE FOR A SUPPOSED BURGLAR

William Gillespie was arrested in the bathroom at the New Castle hotel, 305 1-2 South Stanton street, late Monday night. The police charge that he had entered several rooms. The owner, hearing a noise, came out into the hall in time to see Gillespie disappear into the bathroom. When the room was searched by the police, a clock and several other articles were found hidden under the bathtub.

"MADE IN EL PASO" COMMITTEE. TO MEET AND PLAN BIG SHOW

A meeting of the general committee of the "Made in El Paso Week" exhibit will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at the chamber of commerce. About 10,000 of the "Made in El Paso" stickers have been printed and distributed to those who are going to take space in the exhibition. The stickers are being used on all mail sent out.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING. Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Rio Grande Valley Bank & Trust Company will be held at its offices Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at 3:00 o'clock p. m. for the election of directors and to transact any and all business that may come before the meeting.

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